Appl. No. 10/821,361 Amdt. Dated April 12, 2006 Reply to Office action of December 15, 2005

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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT "A"

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated December 15, 2005. The three-month period for responding to the Office action expired on March 15, 2006. Accordingly, petition is hereby requested for a one-month extension of time up to and including April 15, 2006. A check in the amount of \$270 is enclosed for the fees associated with the one-month extension of time (\$120) and the addition of three new claims (\$150).

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 9 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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